

## 2019 Current Fiscal Year Report: Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee

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### 1. Department or Agency

Environmental Protection Agency

### 2. Fiscal Year

2019

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee

### 3b. GSA Committee No.

2028

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

### 5. Current Charter

10/23/2017

### 6. Expected Renewal Date

10/23/2019

### 7. Expected Term Date

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

### 8b. Specific Termination Authority

### 8c. Actual Term Date

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

No

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

### 11. Establishment Authority

Agency Authority

### 12. Specific Establishment Authority

Request for Approval

### 13. Effective Date

07/05/1995

### 14. Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c. Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee

National Policy Issue Advisory Board

### 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for this Fiscal Year

### 17a. Open Meetings and Dates 0 17b. Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17c. Partially Closed Meetings and Dates 0 17d. Total Meetings and Dates 0

No Meetings

### Current FY Next FY

### 18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 18d. Total

\$0.00 \$0.00

### 19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)

0.00 0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC) provides a meaningful and timely opportunity for a wide range of stakeholders to discuss emerging pesticide regulatory, policy and program implementation issues on a routine basis. Early and constructive feedback has been essential to the development of new policies and to the consideration of options for revising existing policies. Moreover, PPDC provides an opportunity for stakeholders with opposing viewpoints to debate issues and air concerns and thus gain a more complete understanding of each other's point of view. Two PPDC meetings were held during FY18: Nov. 1-2, 2017 and May 2-3, 2018, to discuss a variety of pesticide program regulatory and program implementation issues: including endangered species, 21st century toxicology, pollinator protection, integrated pest management, public health issues, worker safety, issues regarding synergy and resistance management, and various program updates. These extensive discussions resulted in verbal advice and recommendations to the Agency. One new workgroup was formed, Public Health Workgroup, and one was sunset: Managed Pollinator Protection Plan Metrics. Information on all of the PPDC work groups is regularly posted on the pesticide program's website at <http://www2.epa.gov/pesticide-advisory-committees-and-regulatory-partners/pesticide-program-c>

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

Membership balance and diversity is key to our ability to gain a broad representation of viewpoints. An extensive effort is undertaken every two years to ensure diversity and broad participation from across the country. The following sectors are represented: environmental/public interest groups; farm worker and environmental justice representatives; animal welfare organizations, industry and trade associations; user and commodity groups; academia; public health organizations; Federal and State governments; tribal organizations; and the general public.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The goal is to hold two PPDC meetings per year, along with work group conference calls and meetings throughout. Two in-person meetings were held on November 1-2, 2017 and May 2-3, 2018.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

Pesticide issues affect virtually every citizen in this country and are often highly visible through the Agency's regulatory actions and efforts to continuously improve the registration and review processes so that safer products can be brought to market. There are no other routinely scheduled forums that provide an early, predictable and meaningful

opportunity for the broad representation of stakeholders on the PPDC to meet and publicly debate key evolving pesticide policy, regulatory and program implementation issues. There are many important pesticide regulatory and policy issues that will benefit from the PPDC forum where diverse viewpoints are aired and a meaningful opportunity is provided for all sides of the issues to be debated openly and constructively. Without the PPDC, feedback would only be available through public comments in writing or through meetings with individual groups or organizations which, considering the large number of organizations and groups that are interested in and affected by pesticide issues, would be much more resource-intensive.

## **20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

No meetings were closed or partially closed.

## **21. Remarks**

All members are Tier 1 (parent committee members). There are no Tier 2 (subcommittee) members serving. Because the PPDC is a dialogue committee there were no PPDC reports in FY18.

## **Designated Federal Officer**

Dea Zimmerman Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Pesticide Programs

<b>Committee Members</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Occupation</b>	<b>Member Designation</b>
Alarcon, Walter	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, SENSOR Pesticides Program Project Officer, CDC, NIOSH, Cincinnati, OH	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Asmus, Amy	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President and External Relations Director, Asmus Farm Supply, Rake, IA	Representative Member
Bennett, Steven	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President of Scientific Affairs, Consumer Specialty Products Association, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Bishop, Patricia	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Senior Research Scientist, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, Norfolk, VA	Representative Member
Burd, Lori Ann	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Environmental Health Director, Center for Biological Diversity, Portland, OR	Representative Member
Cope, Stan	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Captain, Medical Service Corps (Retired), US Navy, Lake Bluff, IL	Representative Member
Figueroa, Iris	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Staff Attorney, Farmworker Justice, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Fleeson			Tier 1, Program Manager, Office of Pesticide Services, Virginia	
Trossbach, Liza	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Richmond, VA	Representative Member
Fredericks, Jim	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President, Technical and Regulatory Affairs, National Pest Management Association, Fairfax, VA	Representative Member
Gjevre, Eric	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Pesticide Program Manager, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Plummer, ID	Representative Member
Gorman, John	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Chief, Pesticides and Toxic Substances Branch, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 2, Edison, NJ	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Gragg, Richard	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Professor of Environmental Science and Policy, School of the Environment, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, FL	Representative Member

Harriott, Nichelle	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Science and Regulatory Director, Beyond Pesticides, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Hobbs, Aaron	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, President, Responsible Industry for a Sound Environment, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Hoffman, Eric	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Deputy Director, Armed Forces Pest Management Board, Silver Spring, MD	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Jain, Komal	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Executive Director, Biocides Panel, American Chemistry Counsel, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Keigwin, Richard	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Director, Office of Pesticide Programs, EPA, Washington, DC	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Kunickis, Sheryl	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Director, Office of Pest Management Policy, US Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Kunkel, Daniel	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Associate Director, IR-4 Project, Princeton, NJ	Representative Member
LaJoie, Dominic	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, President, LaJoie Growers LLC, Van Buren, ME	Representative Member
Liang, Charlotte	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Chemist, US Food and Drug Administration, College Park, MD	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Liebman, Amy	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Director, Environmental & Occupational Health, Migrant Clinicians Network, Salisbury, MD	Representative Member
McCurdy, Leyla	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Senior Advisor, Children's Environmental Health Network, Arlington, VA	Representative Member
McLaurin, Allen	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President and Farm Manager, McLaurin Farm, LLC, Laurenburg, NC	Representative Member
Palmer, Sylvia	02/02/2018	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Council of Producers & Distributors of Agrotechnology, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Reabe, Damon	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, President, Reabe Spraying Service, Inc., Waupun, WI	Representative Member
Sanson, Charlotte	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Compliance, Bayer US LLC, Research Triangle Park, NC	Representative Member
Selvaggio, Sharon	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Program Director, Healthy Wildlife and Water, Northwest Center for Alternatives to Pesticides, Eugene, OR	Representative Member
Shultz, Gina	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Deputy Assistant Director, Ecological Services, Department of the Interior, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Falls Church, VA	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Taylor, Donald	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Vice President, Member Services and Corporate Relations, Agricultural Retailers Association, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Thostenson, Andrew	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Extension Pesticide Program Specialist, North Dakota State University, Fargo, ND	Representative Member
Tucker, Tim	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Beekeeper, American Honey Producer's Association and American Beekeeping Federation, Niotaze, KS	Representative Member
Vroom, Jay	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, President and CEO, CropLife America, Washington, DC	Representative Member
Wakem, Edward	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Chair, Council on Biologic and Therapeutic Agents, American Veterinary Medical Association, Shawnee, KS	Representative Member
Whittington, Andy	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Environmental Programs Coordinator, Mississippi Farm Bureau Federation, Jackson, MS	Representative Member
Wilson, Nina	09/12/2017	09/12/2019	Tier 1, Regulatory Affairs Manager, Gowan Company, Yuma, AZ	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 36**

## Narrative Description

The PPDC supports EPA's Goal 1 - Deliver real results to provide Americans with clean

air, land, and water, and ensure chemical safety. Objective 1.4 - Ensure Safety of Chemicals in the Marketplace. Accomplishments for FY 2018. PPDC met twice in-person on November 1-2, 2017 and May 2-3, 2018, to discuss a variety of pesticide program regulatory and program implementation issues, including endangered species, pollinator protection, integrated pest management, worker safety, transition, pesticide incidents and corresponding data, new integrated testing strategies, and various program updates. These extensive discussions resulted in verbal advice and recommendations to the Agency. PPDC supports the Agency's strategic goals and priorities, i.e., to prevent and reduce chemical, organism and pesticide risks to humans, communities and ecosystems from pests and disease by ensuring the availability of pesticides, including public health pesticides and antimicrobial products, that meet the latest safety standards. PPDC also supports goals of other key cross-Agency programs, i.e., the Children's Health Protection Program, the Office of Water's Drinking Water and Permitting Programs.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

NA

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Cost Savings Comments**

Advice and recommendations provided through dialogue sessions of this Committee cover a wide range of pesticide regulatory and program implementation issues. It would be difficult, if not impossible, to calculate the enormous benefit of receiving broad stakeholder feedback through this transparent and collegial process regarding a broad spectrum of pesticide issues. While the members typically represent opposing viewpoints, they appreciate that their voice is heard and their comments are being considered, and that the Agency engages in a very transparent way, bringing issues to the forefront early and before the Agency has determined its course of action.

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

215

**Number of Recommendations Comments**

As the PPDC is a dialogue committee, with representation from a broad coalition often with diverging viewpoints, often there is not an agreed upon recommendation to the Agency; however, the Agency greatly benefits from the constructive dialogue among the membership. Also, the members benefit by hearing directly from those who may have an opposing view and sometimes they can find common ground or at least a better understanding of the opposing point of view.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

0%

**% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

PPDC's broad representation of stakeholders provides for a full range of viewpoints on any given issue. As the PPDC is a dialogue committee, we do not vote or generally produce specific recommendations. It would be very difficult to estimate a specific percentage of recommendations that are fully implemented as a result of PPDC discussions. Rather, the Agency benefits from the discussions among the members and can base any policy decisions on a full understanding of the opinions and feedback provided by the Committee members.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

0%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

PPDC's broad representation of stakeholders provides for a full range of viewpoints on any given issue. As the PPDC is a dialogue committee, we do not vote or generally produce specific recommendations, except through work groups, which must then report to the full PPDC. It would be very difficult to estimate a specific percentage of recommendations that are partially implemented as a result of PPDC discussions.

### **Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

### **Agency Feedback Comments**

As part of the agenda for each PPDC meeting, we review the previous agenda and topics discussed. We provide PPDC committee members with a summary of the direction we intend to take and how their feedback helped the Agency. We also continue to establish work groups (currently, there is one active work group) so that issues of concern to the stakeholders can be brought before the Agency to be discussed and deliberated in a transparent way.

### **What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

### **Action Comments**

Broad stakeholder involvement and continual feedback about pesticide regulatory and program implementation issues are key to the manner in which the Office of Pesticide Programs operates - priority setting, resource allocation, development of policies and regulations, etc..

### **Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

NA

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Access Comments**

N/A